

FEAR OF ENGLAND WILL NOT DETER GERMAN ACTION

Britain Itself Has Destroyed Its Prestige of Power.

EMPIRE BECOMES LAUGHINGSTOCK

Ghosts Raised by English Press Arouse Burst of Uproarious Mirth—When Time Comes for Changing European Map, Old Influence Will Not Be Felt.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch 1 Berlin, March 8.—When Bismarck years ago in his speech uttered the famous words, "We Germans fear God, but nobody else in the world," there is no doubt that he meant what he said, but at the same time there exists at the bottom of many German hearts the firm conviction that England which alone of all European countries remained unconquered by the great Napoleon, was still the same imperishable power, without whose consent no attempt might be made to revise the map of the world.

But belief has now vanished altogether, and Germany feels strong enough to formulate her world policies absolutely regardless of the people living on the large Channel Islands, the English people themselves who have destroyed Germany's ideas of their power. A nation that year after year takes no precautions to conceal that it lives in a continuous systematic state of fear and trembling can not expect to be looked upon as a dangerous adversary in a possible fight, and the old idea of England's imperturbability in the German mind has given way to a new idea that might alone would be enough to kill the majority of Englishmen, if war were declared.

Mirth is Uproarious.
The latest ghosts raised by the English press have provoked an outburst of uproarious mirth all over Germany, and the whole German press has been looking for the English visionaries, who in their abject terror see the arrival with mysterious Zepelins and the sea crowded with German craft, some of them shot from whose aerial torpedo tubes would be enough to sink the most formidable British "Dreadnoughts."

"The Post" is kind enough to inform the English that it has confidential information showing that the German admiral is occupied with the idea of artificially magnetizing the rock of Heligoland, and thus converting it into a species of magnetic mountain, which would attract any British fleet approaching it with such force that the ships must inevitably be shattered by the impact. It adds that on Heligoland a magnetic mountain is to be built, which is to be used exclusively for crazy English journalists. The Deutsche Tageszeitung informs the English under seal of the profoundest secrecy that a German psychologist has discovered a method of interesting and preserving all rays of light that might illuminate the brains of editors of British publications.

"The Tageblatt" remarks that such fairy tales about new warships of terrifying power usually crop up in the

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Germany, leaving aside the thought of hysterical England, lays her own political plans as if that unfortunate country did not exist, reckoning in fact only with Austria, Russia and France.

As matters stand now, after the Balkan War has destroyed the old Turkish empire, Germany's first consideration is Austria, whose co-operation and friendship are necessary to the success of her plans. Austria's position at the present moment is indeed a weak one, and Germany is forced to back her up. But she will not be able to resist the dangers which threaten her from within as well as from without. The Balkan alliance has created a new strong power on Austria's eastern frontier, which has powerful allies within the empire's own frontiers, for Bosnia, Herzegovina, Dalmatia, Croatia and Slavonia are all inhabited by Serbs, who would ten times rather join their brethren in Serbia proper than remain under Austrian rule, and in case of a war with Serbia, Austria would not dare trust a single regiment from these districts.

Germany's future policies will be to strengthen Austria in every possible way, even if this should lead to a war with Russia, which has now completely recovered her strength after the disasters in the East.

Germany will do everything she can to preserve peace, but realizing what is apt to happen when old Emperor Francis Joseph dies, she is now straining every nerve to increase her army to the utmost limit of her financial ability, in order to be in a position to put her foot down if the Slavs living in the dual monarchy should express a desire to secede from Austria and incorporate their districts in Serbia or Bulgaria with the willing assent of Russia. Germany's chief aim is to be powerful enough to prevent this.

Russia's protests Germany will listen to, but she hopes to silence them by permitting Russia to do as she pleases in the direction of the frontier of India.

And the funny part of it is that German statesmen are fully aware of the fact that among themselves, Englishmen still cherish the old belief that England holds the balance of the world, and has to speak to make it secure.

LIQUOR DEALERS ATTACK WEBB ACT IN LOCAL COURT

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A threat to this effect is said to have been made by South Carolina authorities.

Claim Heavy Loss.
In their petition for an injunction, H. Clarke & Son set forth that the Webb-Kenyon act has no power to divert liquor shipments destined for South Carolina of their interstate character,

and that it does not prohibit the shipment of liquor intended for personal use only and not for resale. If a contrary construction is placed on the act, the dealers claim, it is unconstitutional. A similar charge is laid at the door of the South Carolina dispensary act of 1886, which, it is insisted, has no power to bar the entry of liquor shipments made in compliance with the laws of interstate commerce. If it undertakes to do this, the dealers hold, it, too, is unconstitutional.

"The business of my clients in this State," said Attorney Gordon, "is being absolutely held up and is going to rack and ruin, not in the interest of the temperance cause, but for the benefit of the dispensaries of South Carolina in the licensing of which the State has given the sale of liquor a legal standing."

The dealers asked for a temporary injunction for thirty to forty days as an immediate remedy. They expressed their willingness to argue the cause on its merits with the representatives of the other side at a date to be fixed by the court. It was their purpose, they said, to ask that the injunction be made permanent.

Judge Waddill regarded the whole proceeding as of the utmost importance, and said that he was not willing either to grant or refuse an injunction until he had carefully gone into the provisions of the Webb-Kenyon law as

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well as the liquor laws of South Carolina. An injunction of this character, involving as it does, a sovereign State, said Judge Waddill, bordered too closely upon a mandamus to be disposed of without mature and careful examination.

A final decision on the application will probably be given by Judge Waddill on Tuesday morning. It appears probable that the dealers will carry their point and secure a temporary restraining order which will be argued as to its permanency at a later date.

The Webb-Kenyon Act.
The Webb-Kenyon anti-liquor bill as finally passed over President Taft's veto follows:
"A bill to divert intoxicating liquors of their interstate commerce character in certain cases.
"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that the shipment or transportation in any manner or by any means whatsoever, of any spirituous, vinous, malted, fermented, or other intoxicating liquor of any kind, from one State, Territory or district of the United States, or place noncontiguous to but subject to the jurisdiction thereof into and other State, Territory or district of the United States, or place noncontiguous to but subject to the jurisdiction thereof, which said spirituous, vinous, malted, fermented, or other intoxicating liquor is intended, by any person interested therein, to be received, possessed, sold or in any manner used, either in the original package or otherwise, in violation of any law of such State, Territory or district of the United States or place noncontiguous to but subject to the jurisdiction thereof."

Pay No Attention to Law.
Louisville, Ky., March 8.—In the absence of special instructions from their respective headquarters, local officers of the various express companies are receiving liquor for shipment without regard to the provisions of the Webb law, which restricts delivery in "dry" States. A statement attributed to A. C. Sommers, representing the Adams and the Southern Express Companies, says those companies will pay "no attention" to the law, at least until the courts pass upon it. Points in South Carolina, which are dry and in dry counties of North Carolina, however, are excepted in receiving liquor for shipment, but this is said to be apart from the Webb law.

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Citizen and Policeman Fall Out Over Opening of New Thoroughfare.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Salsbury, N. C., March 8.—Falling out over the opening of a new street, D. A. Wiley and Policeman James Jones exchanged shots on the streets of Faith, Rowan County, today. Returning home from a business trip it is said Mr. Wiley found the officer with a force of hands opening a street through his property, to which he objected. He brought a shotgun into play, and it is said, knocked the officer down with the butt end of the gun. Officer Jones fired several shots, one ball taking effect in Wiley's shoulder. Both men are prominent citizens of Faith. The shooting caused much excitement.

"RIFF-RAFF FROM SOUTH" WAS FEAR OF SYLVESTER.

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march. Steps had already been taken for a thorough investigation of the matter by the police department, he said, and any breach of duty would be punished.

Major Sylvester said that the hospital reports showed only one person injured and eleven cases of exhaustion during the parade.

The committee will continue its hearing next week.

May Be Calm Before Storm.
London, March 8.—Although the militant suffragettes have given the British Isles a week of comparative calm, they have kept the police and other officials on the tiptoe of anxious anticipation, and it is feared that the calm may be merely the predecessor of another stormy outburst.

The public recreation ground at Nottingham Forest was despoiled by women this afternoon, many of the young trees being ruined, while lamps, benches and railings were smashed. On Friday night a number of telegraph and telephone lines in the neighborhood of Glasgow were cut and cards bearing the familiar "Votes for Women" were left tacked on the poles.

When Winston Spencer Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, and his wife, arrived at Dover to-day from a Continental trip, it was thought necessary to guard their passage from the steamer to the train by a special force of police and detectives. All the other members of the Cabinet continue to suppress so far as possible all advance news of their movements.

Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, militant leader, has made one public appearance since she was released from prison on her promise to refrain from

incitements to violence. Her speech on that occasion is criticized in many quarters as a violation of her promise, but her supporters defend it with the argument that it was "merely a justification of past deeds and not an incitement to new ones."

There appears to be no doubt that the militant section of the suffragettes has lost ground during the past month.

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